Highlights



June 2022

BOARD OF TRUSTEES 2021-2022



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Board meetings are held monthly in the Central Board room at the Division office (231 Hardin Street) starting at 2:00 pm. The next meeting is on **September 28th, 2022**, and the public is welcome to attend. Please see the attached schedule for the 2022-2023 Board meeting dates.

Message from Board Chair **Mywaart**

The Board of Trustees extends a big thank you to all, staff, students, and families for making 2021-2022 another great school year at FMPSD.

Have a safe, restful and relaxing summer!



Board Meeting Format

Trustees discussed the findings from the ThoughtExchange on live streaming the Board Meetings, in regards to costs, transparency and workload of staff. It was noted that presently agendas, board highlights and minutes are all posted on the website.

MOTION: THAT the Board of Trustees discontinues the live streaming of the monthly Board of Trustee meetings starting in September 2022. Motion carried.

Advocacy Committee

The committee met on June 21, 2022 and stated that the areas of focus for the 2022-2023 school year will be the following:

- Traffic safety Ad hoc committee
- New curriculum
- **Funding**
- Charter/Private schools

MOTION: THAT the Board of Trustees instruct the Advocacy Committee to focus on traffic safety, the curriculum, funding and charter/private schools for the 2022-2023 school year. Motion carried.

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Financial Updates

The Finance & Audit Committee reviewed three of three internal financial statements. Overall, the forecast is for a \$5 million dollar deficit as compared to the budgeted \$5.8 million.

VTRA Training

Superintendent Nutter informed the Board of Trustees, that administrators, counsellors, and some admin assistants have completed their level 2 of the Violence Threat Risk Assessment training (VTRA). Ms. Nutter requested the Board to support the amendment to Board Policy 20 to include definitions releated to the Violent Threat Risk Assessment (Assessment of Risk to Others).

MOTION: *THAT the Board of Trustees* supports that Board Policy 20 be amended to include definitions related to Violent Threat Risk Assessment (Assessment of Risk to Others). Motion carried.

Spotlight on Students

SCHULICH SCHOLARSHIP AWARD WINNERS

We are so very proud of our THREE Schulich Scholarship Winners! Manorama Joshi from Westwood Community High School; Nabihah Hussaini from Fort McMurray Composite High School, and Rion Schulz from McTavish High School - accumulated \$810,000 in scholarships! This is a first for FMPSD and Fort McMurray!





Westwood VEX Robotics Worlds

Westwood Community High School's VEX Robotics Worlds Trip The 221T Westwood Robotics team presented to the Board about their trip to Dallas, Texas for the VEX Robotics Worlds tournament. The team also did a driver demo enjoyed by trustees

École McTavish Student Leaders

École McTavish High School highlighted two groups of student clubs: Women in Leadership and The Gay-Straight Alliance (GSA). These clubs, have contributed to positive interaction among peers & staff, as well as, created a greater school attachment and connections; improved work ethics and school attendance.





Congratulations Ms. Rage!

Innovative Leadership Award

Each year, the Board recognizes one staff member who leads an innovation that results in higher achievement or production, is sustainable and may be replicated in another school or department and must align with the system and Alberta Education goals.

This year's winner goes to **Ms. Fahmo Rage** of the Fort McMurray Islamic School. Ms. Rage has been integral to the founding and development of the Eco Eagles program.

This program is meant to nurture environmental leaders, reduce the ecological impact of schools and build environmentally responsible school communities.



FMPSD Elder's Council Winner of PSBAA Award

Elder's Council won the Public School Boards Association of Alberta award for "Promoting and Advancing the Calls to Action of the Truth & Reconciliation Commission (TRC) as it relates to education in Alberta. Congratulations!



Art 30 Award

This award is given to one current high school graduate who best exemplifies the outcomes of the fine arts-art course of studies.

This year's winner is Rosa Pontello from École McTavish with her piece entitled "Stroll Down Memory Lane.

Congratulations Rosa!





Golden Jubliee Citizenship Award

The Golden Jubilee Citizenship Award honours students who have shown themselves to be community builders and leaders, civically minded, passionate about volunteering and who whole-heartedly embrace the spirit of their cause. Each year, eight young Albertans receive a medal and a \$5,000 scholarship.

This year's winner goes to Westwood graduate, Precious Majekodunmi, who took part in her school Math Leadership Group, Science Fair, Queens Code, Principal's Advisory Group and also organized and promoted Black History Month.

Precious also helped her community by volunteering with the Northern Lights Regional Hospital, the Wood Buffalo Food Bank, the Multicultural Association, Nigerian Canadian Association, MACOY, the local library and the YMCA.

Board of Trustees Meeting Schedule 2:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Networks Committee Meeting Meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, September 28, 2022

Wednesday, October 26, 2022

Wednesday, November 23, 2022

Wednesday, December 21, 2022

Wednesday, January 25, 2023

Wednesday, February 15, 2023

Wednesday, March 22, 2023

Wednesday, April 19, 2023

Wednesday, May 17, 2023

Wednesday, June 21, 2023

October 11, 2022 January 10, 2023

April 4, 2023

Joint Networks Committee Meeting

November 8, 2022 March 7, 2023

School Education Plan Presentations May 23rd/24th, 2023